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Subject:

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Real audio file, thats true and great by Mr. K. Mr. Chariman Kennard on LPFM Real Audio discussion

Mr Kennard. Keep up the great job your doing for all parties on LPFM.

If you ever need support in the Houston/Pearland area, call. I can list many items, which I have to various newsgroups, on why local communities would benefit from LPFM that the big megga Houston station dont care about providing.

If NAB is worrying about LPFM running a local business ad commercial, that goes to show that local community and business needs can't be accomplished by the big stations due to MONEY cost.

When could our community of Pearland call up a local licensed station and ask that a local football, soccer, baseball, basket-ball, craft show, fund raiser, etc event could be scheduled for a live broadcast during that event or advertised ahead of time to let your community know about such events.

Ive been following LPFM for about 3 years now, even in the pirate radio stages and I sure hope local communities have an oportunity to have this capability to better server the public in which we live.

Let me know if I can do anything, support, voice, interviews, etc.

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History:

Worked for City of Pearland:

Police Dept

Fire Dept / Arson Investigator

Radio Technician (we still have 670kc info AM station on the air, but no

one listens)

and still for them: Communications

Goals:

City owned community radio station for all aspects of the city, schools, citizens, and any event that enhances community relations.

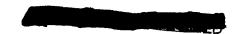
Thanks, Harris

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<fontfamily><param>Arial</param>Federal Communications Commission

Attn: NPRM # FCC 99-6

445 12 Street, S.W.

Washington, D.C. 20554 (202) 418-0260

Re: NPRM # FCC 99-6, MM Docket # 99-25 & #95-25:

I urge you to adopt rules for licensing Low Power FM radio that prioritize

the needs of under-served and under-financed communities. Your office has

the power and the mandate to ensure that ordinary people can claim a piece

of the pie that big corporations have dominated and controlled for years.

am confident you agree that broad citizen access to information and culture

is at the heart of a democratic society.

To support this vision, I urge you to legalize microradio with the following

concerns in mind:

 There should be completely non-commercial service. The current radio spectrum is dominated by commercial media. LPFM licenses should go to

non-commercial community groups who want to use radio to communicate to the

constituents and their neighbors, not to make a profit.

 Licenses should be held locally, be non-transferable, affordable to all communities, easy to apply for and limited to one per license holder;

they should NOT be businesses.

3. Power levels should be up to 100 watts in urban areas and up to 250

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watts in rural areas.

- NO secondary status should be allowed.
- Microbroadcast pioneers who have suffered government seizure and fines should receive amnesty, have their property returned, and be prioritized for new licenses.
- 6. Problems, technical or otherwise, should be referred to the local voluntary micropower organization for assistance or mediation (e.g. the Ham radio model). The FCC should be the forum of last resort.
- 7. LPFM must be included in the future of digital radio.
- 8. If the FCC intends to license some commercial stations, they must be licensed last. In this instance, there should be a 2 year "headstart" for

non-commercial licenses. The right of citizens to communicate is protected

by the Constitution and the FCC's mandate. The right to make money through

local radio is not a protection under the FCC's mandate.

Thank you for your time and your consideration of these vital issues.

Sincerely,

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